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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-36 are allowed.

Regarding Claim 1, Bonta, Anderson, Greer, and Hiben do not teach, alone nor in combination, the combination of:

determining a signal quality metric for each of a plurality of signal paths;

modifying the determined signal quality metric for each of the plurality of signal paths; and

selecting at least one of said plurality of signal paths for receiving a signal, wherein said selecting is based on at least one of the modified signal quality metrics.

Claim 13 and 25 are allowable for similar reasons as claim 1.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EUGENE YUN whose telephone number is (571)272-7860. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am-6:00pm.

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